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Dear interested party:

For nearly two years, Rocky Mountain Laboratories (RML) has provided informational updates to its neighbors and interested parties about the RML master planning effort. A master plan provides long-term land use guidance for issues such as building placement, layout of roads and sidewalks, landscaping, lighting, noise, traffic, parking and general site development. Currently, RML does not have an approved master plan.

The RML Master Plan will guide campus development for the next 20 years. It is being developed by the Office of Research Facilities of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), which is mandated to create such plans for its facilities. RML is part of the NIH's National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

To provide you an opportunity to hear more about the RML Master Plan and discuss concepts and planning ideas for the future development of the campus, NIH has scheduled a community workshop for **Saturday, May 5, 2007, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Hamilton High School Commons Room**. The high school is located at 327 Fairgrounds Road. The Commons Room is easily accessible from the west doorway.

At the workshop, NIH will discuss alternatives for future growth at RML, including no growth and low growth options. The no-growth option means RML would remain essentially as it exists today for the next 20 years. Low growth is based on RML employment growing at about 1 percent per year for the next 20 years.

The workshop will start with presentations by NIH staff, then progress to small-group discussions and conclude with feedback from the groups. Light refreshments will be available.

The NIH and RML staff involved in the master planning project recognize all the demands people have on their time, but we would truly appreciate your participation in this workshop. This will not be the only opportunity for community members to ask questions and voice opinions about the RML Master Plan, but it will be one of the easiest ways to participate in the process.

Thank you for your continued interest in RML.

Sincerely,

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# **RML Master Plan Community Workshop**

**May 5, 2007**

**1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**Hamilton High School, Commons Room**

## **AGENDA**

- I. Welcome and Introductions**
- II. Summary of Master Plan**
- III. Current Status—Process and Schedule**
  - General Overview of RML
  - Review of Master Plan Issues
  - Master Plan Goals and Principles
  - Questions and Answers

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- IV. Description of RML Preliminary Master Plan Concepts**
  - Questions and Answers
- V. Break-out Group Sessions to Discuss Concepts**
- VI. Feedback and Closing Remarks**

Light refreshments to be provided

The purpose of the RML Master Plan Community Workshop is to:

- Update the RML and Hamilton community on the current status of the plan;
- Share with workshop participants the basis of the master plan concepts that have been developed to-date; and
- Obtain participants' input on the planning concepts for the future of RML through meeting discussions and break-out group sessions.

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## **Description of RML Master Plan Concept**

As part of the process of developing the RML Master Plan, the planning team, in collaboration with NIAID and RML, developed master plan concepts illustrating how anticipated RML personnel and space growth through 2025 could be accommodated on the campus assuming (1) the campus boundaries remain unchanged and, (2) the campus borders are expanded due to land acquisition for increased security. The following are the major "program" elements that comprise these concepts along with a brief description. The concepts are based on an "Estimated Requirements" or low growth scenario for the campus. These will be described in further detail at the planned May 5, 2007, Community Workshop.

New construction under both alternatives is anticipated to include

- A new two-story, plus basement, laboratory building of approximately 40,000 square feet (Building A) located west of the new Integrated Research Facility (IRF) building
- A new 32,000 square foot one-story, plus basement, animal holding and research facility (Building B) located adjacent to the existing Rocky Mountain Veterinary Branch facilities in Buildings 13 and 25
- Completion of the new two-story, plus basement, Building 31 (approximately 23,000 square feet), currently in design, to consolidate administrative and other support services; and a future addition to the west to provide a central stock room and seminar room (Building C/D)
- A new one-story, plus basement, maintenance and general storage building (Building E) of approximately 21,000 square feet located in the southwest corner of the site. This facility will consolidate functions currently housed in a number of smaller dispersed buildings
- Elimination of the east power generator building located near the entrance to the campus and expansion of the existing west power station (Building G) to consolidate generator locations and provide for anticipated additional loads
- Provision of a centralized solid waste management facility (Building F) across from the new Shipping and Receiving Building (Building 29) at the service entrance to the campus
- Renovation of the existing Building 7, originally a central mechanical plant, as research space

Both alternatives include near-term roadway and landscape improvements; the relocation of service activities from the campus central core; renovation of space in Buildings 8, 9 and 11 for storage and other low-occupancy uses; demolition of Buildings 12, 16 and 17 near the south edge of the campus; creation of a new central gathering space on campus; and expansion of parking capacity to accommodate new IRF staff.

In particular, both alternatives provide for further parking expansion to approximately 450 spaces to handle future needs. In one option this parking is approximately divided between the southeast portion of the site and a new surface lot along the north boundary. The other option is based on possible acquisition of property to the north and permits the preponderance of parking to be in that location and away from the south property line.